

"WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC" HORRORS

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Greatest Importance

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And Strengthened in More than One Important Respect
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(Special to The Bulletin.)

Washington, Jan. 29.—It was suggested that Congress should give some time to the subject of the proposed tariff legislation, but a letter recently received by Senator Bulkeley would seem to indicate that much interest is felt in the suppression of what is termed the "white slave traffic." The senator's correspondence said that if Congress could give some time to this subject and pass some much needed laws, Connecticut would be willing to allow revision of the tariff to go over for a while.

Special Attention Given to the Subject.

The commissioner general of immigration said to your correspondent that this was a subject of great importance and that it had received special attention during the past year. In his report for the year just closed he said: "The duty of detecting and excluding all such aliens has been constantly impressed upon the immigration officers stationed at the seaports and along the land boundaries, and special efforts have been directed toward the co-operation of immigration officials with municipal officials in apprehending and deporting aliens of this class who have entered the country contrary to law. As a measure of success has attended these efforts, numerous prosecutions have been brought against procurers and keepers of houses of ill fame, and convictions have been had in fourteen cases, with penalties of from six months to five years' imprisonment, and from \$50 to \$1,000 fine."

Law Should Be Strengthened.

"The law regarding these moral defects needs to be amended and strengthened in several important respects. In the first place, there is occasion with regard to this class, as there is regarding the classes merely physically unclean, to fix a definite limit within which the government can proceed for their deportation. It is obvious that such persons cannot be living here for a period of time, in any way correct their moral status at the time of entry, and the government ought not to be restrained from removing from this country any anarchist, a criminal, or a moral degenerate merely because such person has been able to avoid detection for three years."

An International Suppression Project.

"An international project of arrangement for the suppression of the white slave traffic was adopted on July 25, 1907, adopted for submission to their respective governments by the delegates of the various powers represented at the Paris conference, which arrangement was confirmed by formal agreement signed at Paris on July 15, 1908, and in the name of Germany, Belgium, Denmark, Spain, France, Great Britain, Italy, The Netherlands, Portugal, Russia, Sweden, Norway, and the United States. This arrangement, after being duly submitted to the senate, was proclaimed by the president on June 12, 1908, and in the report of the commissioner general of immigration. The purpose of the arrangement is set forth in the preamble, which states that the several governments, 'being desirous to ensure to women who have attained their majority and are subject to deception or constraint, as well as minor women and girls, an efficacious protection against the criminal traffic known under the name of white slave traffic, have resolved to conclude an arrangement with a view to concert proper measures to attain this purpose.'"

Importation of Women and Girls.

"In addition to the amendment above suggested, to penalize the importation of women and girls for immoral purposes, irrespective of whether they are aliens or citizens, it would be highly advantageous in the endeavor to break up the white slave traffic to make it a felony, or punishable by imprisonment, for an alien deported from the United States as a procurer of prostitutes."

NATIONAL SENATE.

Omnibus Claims Bill Passed—The Brownsville Affair.

Washington, Jan. 29.—The omnibus claims bill carrying an appropriation of about \$2,000,000, which has been favorably acted upon by the house of representatives, was passed by the senate today, with an amendment repealing the law allowing the reference of southern war claims to the court of claims by the senate or house of representatives.

A substitute bill for all pending pension claims relating to the service of the soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, who were discharged without honor after the Brownsville affair, was introduced by Senator Aldrich and accepted by Senator Foraker and other republican senators who had proposed legislation for the same purpose. It provides for a court of inquiry to pass upon the qualifications of the discharged men for re-enlistment. The senate adjourned until Monday.

CHANCE FOR FAME AND CASH.

Tempting Offer Made to Ohio Farmer Aeroplanist.

Canton, O., Jan. 29.—W. H. Martin, civil engineer and farmer, has been offered a large sum of money to make several short but successful trips in an aeroplane of his own invention, which has a chance for both fame and cash.

W. R. Timken, a wealthy Canton manufacturer, has offered Martin \$100,000 for his invention, provided he flies from Canton to Cleveland and back, a distance of one hundred miles, and then \$100,000 if he can make a round trip to Missouri, a distance of sixteen miles. Both flights are to be without touching ground.

Vacancy on Staff of Gov. Draper Filled.

Boston, Jan. 29.—The vacancy in the position of judge advocate general on the staff of Governor Draper was filled today by the appointment of Major William C. Rogers, judge advocate of the second brigade. He succeeds Major General Hugh Bancroft, who resigned earlier in the week.

Cabled Paragraphs

Paris, Jan. 29.—Daniel Ridway Knight, the American painter, has been promoted to be an officer of the Legion of Honor. Knight was given the Cross of the Legion of Honor in 1892.

Constantinople, Jan. 29.—The governor of the vilayet of Adrianople has telegraphed the minister of the interior that the Bulgarian army and the reservists recently concentrated on the Turkish frontier.

Rome, Jan. 29.—A despatch received here by Abyssinia says that while King Menelik is ill his condition is not so bad as has been reported. Italy, France and Great Britain have reached an understanding for the protection of Europeans in Abyssinia in the event of an uprising in case Menelik should die.

Peking, Jan. 29.—The Japanese government has proposed to China to permit her to construct the Hsinmin-tsun railway on condition that the future extension of this line be built by the South Manchurian railway. This means in substance that the Chinese railway system will become Japanese from Fukuken onward. China has declined to entertain the proposal.

No Punishment is Too Severe.
"It is highly necessary that this diabolical traffic, which has attained international proportions, should be dealt with in a manner adequate to compass its suppression. No punishment could give more to inflict upon the procurers in this vile traffic."

Two Examples of the Evil.

On October 13, 1908, Grace Sinclair and her husband, Dr. J. W. Sinclair, in Washington, D. C., were convicted of harboring Anna Longman and Annie Gorenell, and were fined \$500 and a term of six months' imprisonment each. These girls were spirited away from the immigration officials in Baltimore, were transported to the United States, and then were sent to the houses of the defendants, where they were kept and sent to their homes.

In Chicago, Harry Lair and his wife were convicted of harboring a French girl for immoral purposes. It is stated by one of the defendants, when they were arrested and sent to their homes.

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New England Cases Without Number.

The statistics mentioned here are international cases, while the cases of native girls enticed from their home in New England could be cited without number. Of these the officials here have nothing to do.

More Legislation Really Needed.

After a time spent with the officials of the immigration bureau looking into this matter, the immigration officials here believe that the man that wrongs the bulk of the white slave traffic is not so far wrong, after all.

DENIAL BY EVANGELIST

Charged With Refusal to Visit Boston Unless He Was Guaranteed \$10,000.

Boston, Jan. 29.—Before a congressional panel of 1,000 persons which crowded Tremont temple today, Rev. Dr. J. W. Chapman of Albany, N. Y., who is directing the anti-slavery campaign in this city, today denied the statement that he refused to come to Boston unless he was personally guaranteed \$10,000 for his services. Dr. Chapman said:

"I have not been guaranteed one penny as a compensation, nor has any other evangelist in the world. The meeting at Tremont temple today was the third non meeting in connection with the anti-slavery campaign. The immense audience was filled to overflowing."

CONFIRMED BY SENATE.

Nomination of Keefe to Be Commissioner General of Immigration.

Washington, Jan. 29.—The nomination of Daniel J. Keefe to be commissioner general of immigration was confirmed today by the senate. Mr. Keefe's nomination has been held up since December 8 because of the charge that the office was given him because of his connection with a getting labor votes for the republican ticket in the late campaign. Opposition appeared to have vanished today and the nomination was not debated.

Wireless Apparatus for Isles of Shoals Life Saving Station.

Portsmouth, N. H., Jan. 29.—Recommendations that the new Isles of Shoals life saving station be equipped with wireless telegraph apparatus have been made to the officials of the life saving service at Washington by Sir. Shon, superintendent of the life saving service for Maine and New Hampshire. The station which is now being built is thirteen miles from the mainland.

Steamship Arrivals.

At Rotterdam: Jan. 29, Statendam, from New York.

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TO SETTLE THE MATTERS' STRIKE

Will Act Independently of Strikers and Manufacturers—Governor Lilley to Be Present—Success Expected.

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